Summary of Proposed Nonresidential Measures

2005 Energy Efficiency Standards November 5, 2002



Time Dependent Valuation

– Proponent: PG&E

Workshop: April 2

- Standard: Both

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- Proponent: SoCalGas
- Workshop: August 27
- Standard: Both Modeling
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Photovoltaics

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Nonresidential Schedules

Proponent: PG&E

- Workshop: April 2

Standard: NR Modeling

 Schedules were developed from the NRNC database for offices, assembly, schools and retail. These are still being considered.



Lighting Controls Under Skylights

– Proponent: PG&E

Workshop: May 30

Standard: NR Lgt

To be addressed on November 18, 2002.



Cool Roofs Prescriptive Requirement

– Proponent: PG&E

Workshop: May 30

Standard: NR Env

- §143 is modified to make cool roofs a prescriptive requirement for low-slope applications.
- Trade-off procedures have been modified to treat reflectance as a continuous variable in the compliance process.
- Reflectance and emittance used for compliance must be provided by the CRRC through its standard rating procedure (CRRC-1-2002)
- Durability standards are being researched for liquid applied coatings.

High Performance Relocatable Classrooms

- Proponent: PG&E
- Workshop: July 18
- Standard: NR Env
- Criteria has been added to § 143 for relocatable classrooms. The criteria is used across the state with no variation for climate zone, because of the portable nature of relocatable classrooms.
- Portables constructed for a particular climate zone can use the nonresidential criteria for that climate zone, but the building must be labeled as being appropriate for just that climates.

Lay-in Ceiling Insulation

– Proponent: PG&E

Workshop: August 8

Standard: NR Env

• Installing insulation over lay-in ceiling tiles is prohibited unless the plenum height above the ceiling is greater than 12 ft and the conditioned space is less than 2,000 ft².

 Language is clarified so that plenums are not considered attics and not required to be ventilated.



Group 4 Measures from November workshops

- Proponent: Variety
- Workshop: Group 4
- Standard: NR Env
- Prescriptive limit of 40% added for west facing glass. This limit is the basis of trade-offs with both the whole building and envelope trade-off method.
- A requirement is added to §118 requiring that roof insulation be placed below the water proof membrane.
- Insulation requirements are added for heated slabs. This is in §118 and applies to both residential and nonresidential buildings.
- U-factor calculations may be modified for the nonresidential conservation manual to be consistent with ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1 Appendix A.



Acceptance Requirements

Proponent: NBI

Workshop: April 22

Standard: NR HVAC

- ACM NJ-2005 is added to the nonresidential ACM.
- References to the acceptance requirements are sprinkled throughout the standard where they apply.



Equipment Modeling

– Proponent: PG&E

Workshop: April 2

Standard: NR Modeling

- Procedures have been developed to more accurately model nonresidential HVAC equipment.
- These will be included in the next draft of the nonresidential ACM manual.



Demand Control Ventilation

– Proponent: CEC

Workshop: April 23

Standard: NR HVAC

- New mandatory requirement for DCV apply for single zone units with economizers (§121(c)3 & 4.
- The requirement applies to spaces with an occupant density greater than 25 persons per 1,000 ft².



Cooling Towers

- Proponent: PG&E
- Workshop: April 23
- Standard: NR HVAC
- Requirement added for flow turndown (§144(h)3)
- Limitation added on the application centrifugal fan towers (§144(h)4)
- Air cooled chillers prohibited for sizes less than 300 tons (§144(i)), with appropriate exceptions.

Hydronic System Measures

- Proponent: CEC
- Workshop: May 30
- Standard: NR HVAC
- Variable flow required chilled and hot water systems (§144(j)1)
- Chiller and boiler isolation (§144(j)2 & 3)
- Temperature reset controls chilled and hot water systems (§144(j)4)
- Variable flow required for water-loop heat pump loops (§144(j)5)
- VSDs for variable flow condenser and chilled water systems >5hp (§144(j)1)

Nonresidential Duct Sealing and Insulation

- Proponent: PG&E
- Workshop: July 18
- Standard: NR HVAC
- R-8 min insulation (mandatory, §124(a)) and duct sealing to 6% leakage (prescriptive §144(k)) for small single zone systems with >25% duct area in unconditioned spaces or out of doors.
- Leakage must be certified through field tests



Improvements for Existing Light Commercial Buildings

– Proponent: PG&E

Workshop: July 18

Standard: NR HVAC

 No changes have been made for the November 2005 draft. This measure is still under consideration.



ECM Motors

– Proponent: CEC

Workshop: August 8

Standard: NR HVAC

 New prescriptive requirement for ECM motors on series style boxes (§144(c)4)



VAV Size Thresholds

– Proponent: CEC

Workshop: August 8

Standard: NR HVAC

Dropped VSD threshold to 10 hp (§144(c)2)



Variable Speed Fans

- Proponent: CEC
- Workshop: Not applicable
- Standard: NR HVAC
- This is not implemented in the November 5, 2002 version. May be considered in a later draft.



Group 4 from November workshops

- Proponent: Variety
- Workshop: Group 4
- Standard: NR HVAC
- Chiller tables modified
- VAV Pressure sensor
- References updated

